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The President and family returned to Washington from Philadelphia yesterday.

A dispatch from Gov. Jervis states that there is a Chinese riot in Malacca, and he has sent troops there to restore order.

By an agreement entered into yesterday, the great four-mile race at San Francisco will take place on the 29th of February.

The steamer Faraday, having completed her preparations for repairing the direct cable, has cleared London for New Providence.

The colored people of Cincinnati held a meeting last night, and passed resolutions of respect to the memory of Vice-President Wilson.

Lawton & Head, merchants and shipping and insurance agents, of London, have failed. Their liabilities are estimated at \$950,000.

The steamship Suevia, detained at Havre several days in consequence of the slight collision of Cuxhaven, will sail for New York to-day.

The Canadian Premier has notified the Montreal deputation that all work on the Lachine Canal which it is possible to prosecute during the winter will be carried on.

The examination at Nantes of the Greek sailor for complicity in the Lennitiny has been suspended for the present at the request of the Earl of Derby, the English Foreign Minister.

A commission of lunacy has reported to Governor Tilden that Jacob S. Stearns, sentenced to be hanged for the murder of his sweetheart, is insane, and he will doubtless be sent for life to the State Lunatic Asylum.

A span of the iron bridge in course of erection over French Creek, at Meadville, Pa., fell yesterday, carrying down twelve workmen. J. Price was killed and J. L. Still, Anthony Price, James Greene, Jacob Hack and James Clark were severely injured.

The convention to frame a constitution for the State of Colorado assembled at Denver yesterday and temporarily organized. A permanent organization will be effected to-day. The Republicans have a large majority, but will give a share of the offices to the minority.

A letter to the London Times from Berlin says that Fuchs, the mechanic, had not delivered to Thompson any of the twenty editorial machines ordered by him. The London Daily News is informed that Thompson positively denied that he had any accomplices in the plot.

There was an earthquake in Porto Rico on the nights of December 8 and 9 which created great alarm. The capital, San Juan, was uninjured, but the town of Arico was nearly destroyed. Two churches and six houses only remain, and they are so badly damaged they may fall at any moment.

At a meeting of the Methodist preachers of Cincinnati yesterday a resolution was offered censuring Bishop Haven and the Boston preachers for the expulsion about the third term. The resolution was the subject of long discussion, and the meeting adjourned without taking action upon it.

At a meeting of the General Council of Memphis last night, Counselman Zent presented a series of charges against Mayor League, by Andrew Davis, the late mayor's clerk, charging the mayor with stealing bonds and being privy to the stealing of other bonds. The charges were referred to a special committee. Mayor League treats the charges with the utmost indifference.

In the case of Bayly and Pond vs. Paul Tourchy and the Merchant's Insurance company, of New Orleans, wherein a hundred thousand dollars damages were claimed for libel, in charging Bayly & Pond with arson, in answer to a suit on a policy in the United States Court last June, the jury yesterday, in the Fifth District Court, awarded the plaintiffs one cent damages and the costs.

The Mark Lane Express, in its weekly review of the grain trade, says: "Prices in general of our markets have declined a shilling. In Paris flour has been dull. The markets in Holland, Germany, Hungary, the Danube and principally in Egypt generally show a decline. At Danzig, fine old wheat is a shilling higher, and the best new is firm. At St. Petersburg quotations have fallen a shilling."

A dispatch from Tucson, Arizona, says, on the authority of well-informed gentlemen, that the people of Sonora are in a destitute condition from the interference of the recent revolutionary troubles with agriculture and commerce. The people are outspoken in favor of a revolution. These gentlemen say 300 disciplined troops could march successfully through the country, despite the State troops.

The Secretary of the Interior has decided upon the appeal in the long contested case of the heirs of Murray McConnell vs. the Chicago & Northwestern Railroad Company, involving the title to the land lying on the north and at the mouth of the Chicago river, upon which the depot of the company now stands, and of which the reputed value is several millions, the decision being in favor of the company and to the effect that its title to the land is valid.

It has been pretty definitely ascertained that the amount of money obtained by the Missouri express robbers Saturday morning was \$5,000. Had the robbery been committed before the train reached Mexico, Mo., the amount would have been much larger as it would have included the Western remittances to Chicago. No arrests have yet been made, and the detectives decline to say whether they have any clue which will lead to the capture of the robbers.

The French Assembly balloted yesterday for Senators without any result. M. Naquet, a radical leader, introduced a motion that amnesty be granted to the communists and requested that it be declared urgent. The tumult which followed was indescribable. The previous question was almost unanimously carried, the left considering the motion, which could not pass, an electing trick. The affair causes a complete rupture between the extreme radicals and the left.

The Secretary of the Treasury, in a letter in answer to an inquiry as to whether it is his purpose to make reappointments of the clerks in the Treasury Department among the States and Territories on a basis of the population, states that he does not construe section 10 of the act of March 3, 1875, as directing a reappointment to the extent of dismissing the clerks from States which now have an excess of appointments, but only as directing to this Secretary with reference to future appointments.

Captain General Valmaseda considers the new rules introduced into the administration of the island by the Madrid government incompatible with the power he ought to wield. In view of his knowledge of the people and his past and present services, he has forwarded his resignation, which the King has accepted. The Captain-General returned from the interior yesterday. He will transfer the government to the hands of Gen. Carbo, next in rank, and sail for Spain on the 25th inst. Ex-Captain-General Sanz has arrived at Havana from Porto Rico and also returns to Spain.

Of thirty-four chairmanships of the more important committees of the House, twenty-four are given to Western members, ten to

Southern, and thirteen to Middle and Eastern States. Of the latter thirteen, six are of third-rate importance, being committees on expenditures in various executive departments. Of the chairmanships given to Western members, four are of the same description. Four or five of the Southern chairmanships are also unimportant. The West, therefore, holds the first place in number of chairmanships of the first and second class committees. Out of a total of forty-seven, Ohio and Missouri have each five chairmanships, Illinois four, Kentucky four, Indiana two, and Tennessee two. Virginia and Pennsylvania have three each, North Carolina has two, and no other State has more than one. The composition of the Pacific Railroad Committee, tested by the recent vote on Holman's anti-subsidy resolution, is as follows: Chairman Lamar and Messrs. Throckmorton and O'Neil voted against it; Luttrell, Lynde, Thomas, Phillips, Garfield, Kasson and Blair voted for it, and Atkins of Tennessee, Walker of Virginia, and Platt were recorded as not voting.

The concurrent resolutions which Senator McDonald, of Indiana, will offer in the Senate after the holiday recess, as a substitute for those recently submitted by Senator Morton, and of which he gave notice yesterday, have not been perfected, and therefore could not be presented. The following is a rough draft of them, containing the substance thereof, though the phraseology may be changed somewhat before their presentation to the Senate.

Resolved by the Senate, the House of Representatives concurring, That the people of the United States constitute a nation, and are one people in the manner only and to the extent provided for in the Federal Constitution and the amendments thereto.

Resolved, That the United Colonies declared and achieved their independence, and the Federal Constitution was formed and adopted by the general states formerly comprising the Confederacy, and called the United States of America, the chief purpose of which was to form a more perfect union and establish justice, insure domestic tranquility, and provide for the common defense; and the powers not delegated by it to the United States, nor prohibited by it to the States, were reserved to the States respectively and to the people.

Resolved, That as the States were at the time of the formation and adoption of the Federal Constitution, each sovereign, free and independent, except in so far only as such sovereignty had been expressly delegated to the Congress by articles of confederation, the rights reserved to the States and to the people, in the formation of the Federal Government, were those of sovereign States and the people is a strict construction of the Federal Constitution and the amendments thereto, and the assumption of no doubtful powers.

Resolved, That in the formation of the Federal Government it was the clear design to leave each State and the people thereof sovereign as to all matters of local or domestic concern, and to confer upon the Federal Government sovereign powers as to such matters as might affect the general welfare of all the States, or as might be necessary to secure domestic tranquility, which powers are defined in the Federal Constitution and its amendments.

Resolved, That it being the design to make the government formed under the Federal Constitution perpetual, the right of any State or number of States to secede from the Union was not reserved, so far as the right has been claimed, to exist it should be deemed forever settled against it by the results of the late civil war.

Do the police "whack" with the gamblers?

Are the police authorities in league with the gamblers?

The Council wisely took steps last night looking towards the establishing of a work house.

The News was in error in saying that this county was in Judge Buskirk's district. By the late act it was placed in Judge Pettit's district, so that Napoleon B. Taylor, Esq., is eligible in case Buskirk is retained.

The public mind is in suspense as to what position Mr. Landers received upon the committees. It is either Patents or Railways and Canals. In the light of those campaign mule stories it should have been "Weights and Measures," mostly measures.

THE CONGRESSIONAL COMMITTEES.

In forming the committees of the House Mr. Kerr has had a task of unusual difficulty. The major portion of the Democratic members are new, and from their ranks the chairmanship and most of the members of each committee had to come. Of the experienced members there are not many of commanding or even considerable reputation. Then there are the conflicting claims of the various sections as well as the divided opinion in the party upon economic questions. Altogether Mr. Kerr has had a harder work than has fallen to any Speaker for many years, if indeed ever. He has performed this in the main satisfactorily, although he is certain to be severely criticised both in his own party and in the opposition. Some of the gentlemen prominent among the Democrats have not received the places they considered themselves entitled to, and there are doubtless many more, who are not prominent but who think they are, who will consider themselves aggrieved. The Ways and Means Committee is considered the most important one, and of late years a tendency to regard the chairman as the leader of the House, ex-officio, has grown up. Mr. Wood, of New York, has been a member of this committee for years and naturally expected the chairmanship. Mr. Cox was also regarded as an aspirant, and it is the general opinion that quite a strife was engendered between the gentlemen.

Mr. Kerr has settled the matter by appointing Morrison, of Illinois, as chairman, with Wood second on the committee, a place Mr. Wood at once accepted. Mr. Morrison is not much known, although he has served two terms, but he stands very high among his party associates, and the presumption is that Mr. Kerr knew what he was doing when he appointed him. From the little known of him it is safe to guess that those who think the chairmanship of this important committee has been given to a weak or incompetent man, are likely to find themselves mistaken. The committee represents free trade and hard money, and greenback and other heresies are not likely to gain a hearing from it. Kelly is a member, however, representing protection, inflation and paternal government generally.

Randall is Chairman of Appropriations with Holman second, a guarantee that expenditures will be closely scrutinized. Neither will allow the charge of extravagance to be made against the party and estimates will be cut down remorselessly. Cox is chairman of Banking and Currency, with Judge Payne of Cleveland second. Cox is very much underrated. He has made himself the wit of the House and his propensity to joke and raise a laugh upon all occasions has greatly injured his reputation. He is a hard worker, has a large fund of information and taken in all points, possesses much more ability and is a more useful member than he has ever gained credit for. If Cox would only take Tom Corwin's experience and remember that it is "the solemn asses who get the monuments," he would rank high. The funny man is always expected to amuse but not to instruct. As chairman

of this very important committee Mr. Cox will do full justice to the work and may win a very different reputation from his present one.

The Pacific Railroad Committee is headed by Lamar and most of the members are from the South. Proctor Knott is head of the Judiciary and Holman of Public Expenditures, another good selection. Williams, of this State, is head of Accounts, and those who know the old man's experience and untiring activity will not consider the appointment a bad one. Swann, of Maryland, as head of Foreign Affairs does not strike us favorably. He is a politician of not the most savory record, was the chief of the Know-Nothings in Baltimore, and as Governor of Maryland during the war gave the Government considerable annoyance.

The members from this State are appointed as follows, according to districts: Benoni S. Fuller on Public Lands; James D. Williams, Chairman of Accounts; Speaker Kerr on Rules; Jephth D. New on War Claims; Holman on Appropriations, and Chairman of Public Buildings and Grounds; Landers either on Patents or Railways and Canals; General Hunter on Commerce; W. S. Raymond on Banking and Currency; James L. Evans on Mines and Mining; A. H. Hamilton on Foreign Affairs and on Enrolled Bills; and John H. Baker on Elections.

Shumacker and King, the members implicated in the Pacific Mail bribery, are not omitted, the former receiving the lowest place on the Committee on Revolutionary Pensions, and the latter the lowest on the Committee on Militia. As these committees never meet more than once and have no particular business, these individuals will not cut much of a figure in the House. Their appointment is meant as a rebuke, which it certainly is, for they receive the lowest places possible. If they could have been ignored altogether it would have been still better.

A Health to the Past.

BY H. H. H.

Oh the dear old Past!
That is dead in its grave,
How young we were once!
How gay and how brave!

We will sigh for it never,
We will cherish our Past,
We will love it forever.

November is gray,
But all June was rose red;
And love grows by help
Of the times it is said,
If we had not been gay,
We should rue it forever.
We have had our brave past,
We will sigh for it never.

Oh, the dear old Past,
That is dead now, and still!
We drink to its health,
With a will, with a will.
Chink the glasses, in sign
That we sigh for it never,
What a tear in the wine?
Comrade, hide it forever!

Apple Blossoms.

From white sea-fog, 'neath summer skies,
A voice from heaven in her hair,
The sunshine captive in her hair,
Her body has the foam more fair,
They say Love's mother did arise!

Now fragrant seas of blossoms bright
Flood all the hills with waves of white,
And once again has beauty birth,
Springing immortal from the earth,
Mother of ever fresh delight!

And awakened by the sweet surprise,
In the still heaven of thine eyes—
Of that immortal beauty born—
And bright with rose-tints of the morn—
I see a baby love arise!

—[The Willard in Galaxy for January.

"BORAX."

The French eat 85,000,000 rabbits every year.

It is said Bret Harte is dramatizing Gabriel Conroy.

George Eliot's new novel is entitled, "Daniel Deronda."

Anthony Comstock is still warring on the dealers in foul literature.

Frank Leslie has bought the late Fifth avenue residence of Boss Tweed.

A boy, a gimlet and a barrel of cider are three things that want watching.

"Nomination by prayer" is good. Suppose we elect him by doxology.—[New York Herald.

Miss Anthony is wading through the snows of Iowa, hoarsely whispering "woobud snuff."

Senator Morton is known as the "bloody shirt" candidate for the Presidency.—[New York Tribune.

Highwaymen in Sutter county, California, have descended to the degradation of robbing Chinamen.

An advertiser in the Philadelphia Star recommends a refrigerator as a suitable Christmas present.

A redwood sapling at Healdsburg, California, measures seventy-five feet in circumference a foot above the ground.

Gen. Francis A. Walker, of Yale College, has been appointed Chief of the Bureau of Awards of Centennial Exhibition.

Mr. Silas Groat, of Carson City, Nevada, has lost three children by bleeding to death from lesion of an artery under the upper lip.

Letters are distributed 56 times daily in Paris through pneumatic tubes, from and to the central office and its enclosures; time of transmission, three minutes.

Mercury seems to have been created for the purpose of making warm weather too hot and cool weather too cold.—[Scientific Pittsburg Leader.

The editor of the Lyon county (Nevada) Times is accredited with writing with such force that the odor of his breath is readily detected while perusing his lucubrations.

Hon. William A. Richardson, of Quincy, Illinois, was severely stricken with paralysis a day or two since, but there are hopes of his recovery. He is now about 60 years of age.

Lieutenant-Colonel Fred Grant has been ordered to report for active service at the White House during the winter. The campaign will be neither short, sharp nor decisive.—[Chicago Times.

A man at Stony Creek, Butler county, California, was attempting to cut a rope in which a mule had become tangled, when the animal kicked, driving the knife into the man's breast and killing him.

Few remember that Oliver Wendell Holmes began life as a law student, and not many more care to know that Lowell did the same thing and was actually admitted to the bar and opened an office in Boston.

The royal arms of Great Britain are now displayed over the broad portal of the new British Legation building at Washington, and in the main corridor has been hung a magnificent full-length portrait of Queen Victoria. The dining hall and ball room are the largest in the city except the White House apartments and the building is an ornament to the National Capital.

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In the Superior Court of Marion county, in the State of Indiana, January Term, 1876, No. 12,31.
Divorce.
James J. Doran vs. Ursula Doran.
Be it known, that on the 14th day of December, 1875, the above named plaintiff, by his attorneys, filed in the office of the Clerk of the Superior Court of Marion county, in the State of Indiana, his complaint against the above named defendant for divorce, and on said 14th day of December, 1875, the said plaintiff filed in said Clerk's office the affidavit of a competent person showing that said defendant, Ursula Doran, is not a resident of the State of Indiana.
Now therefore, by order of said Court, said defendant last above named is hereby notified of the filing and pendency of said complaint against her, and that unless she appears and answers or demurs thereto at the calling of said cause on the second day of the term of said Court, to be begun and held at the Court House in the City of Indianapolis, on the first Monday in February, 1876, said complaint, and the matters and things therein contained and alleged, will be heard and determined in her absence.
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